Appendix 8

Disability and Inclusion

- OVCS 2007 Disability Inclusion Manual (this manual is being updated, and a revision will be issued later this year, although some aspects of the manual have been updated to reflect new contacts for 2012 in resource agencies)
 - Appendix A to the Inclusion Manual is a document entitled "Creating an inclusive environment: A handbook for the inclusion of people with disabilities in National and Community Service Programs". The hard-copy version of this manual does not include a copy of the document, but it can be found on our website at http://www.vaservice.org/go/national/americorps/support/, within the policy_guidelines section.
 - Appendix B of the Inclusion Manual is a disability self-assessment, to be completed by each program during the pre-contract period.
 - Appendix C includes contact information for the Commonwealth Workforce Networks.
 Contacts can assist in identifying prospective candidates with disabilities that might be a good match for your program.
 - Appendix D is an application for reasonable accommodation funds, which can be requested for use in supplying necessary accommodations to individuals with disabilities.
 - Appendix E is a Benefits Fact Sheet which explains how any benefits (SSI, SSDI, food stamps, etc) of prospective or current members will be impacted by receiving the member living allowance or education award.